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HORMONE POLYPEPTIDES AND HETERODIMERS THEREOF

Docket No.: A-676B

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTIONMail Stop AF
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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action dated June 23, 2006, having a term that expired on September 23, 2006. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time to extend the time for response the Office Action up to and including November 23, 2006, together with an authorization to charge the extension fee to Deposit Account 01-0519 in the name of Amgen Inc., is enclosed herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the subject amendment be entered and that the outstanding rejections be reconsidered in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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